Married in the Missionary Church

Jane and Eric Lehman are pictured here following their wedding, May 28, 1982 in the Stouffville Missionary Church. Proud parents are Mr and Mrs Donald Lewis, Rupert Avenue, Stouffville and Mr and Mrs Erle Lehman, Elm Road, Stouffville. The happy couple are residing in Toronto.

---George Ross Studio.

"Marjo Red"

All-Canadian poinsettia

By Jim Irving

WHITCHURCH — Most people are rushing around about now, picking up various last-minute decorations and trinkets to make their places seem a bit more Christmas-like. But for Jim White at James White Florists, Stouffville-Gormley Road, no such eleventh-hour flurry is necessary.

According to Jim "It's Christmas 12 months of the year here."

Here, of course, is his 38,000 square feet of greenhouse space where he tends and grows, and sometimes even "baby sits" his magnificent poinsettias, lined up row on row on the long tables, where they reach for the endless flow of light in a summer-like atmosphere.

And, when Jim White says "baby-sit", he means it literally. His "Marjo", (named after daughters, Margaret and Joan), an all-Canadian poinsettia plant, which he developed in 1978 and put on the market a year later, needs around-the-clock attention during its lengthy rooting period, and he's there to make sure this happens.

In the business for 30 years (his father was in it for 65) Jim developed his new plant, after experimenting with "hundreds and hundreds" for a year, "reproducing and reproducing" until he achieved what he wanted.

He obviously achieved what other people wanted too. Once on the market, flower-buyers insisted on his new plant with its darker and deeper shade of red, he says.

"No one realizes the depth of color until they're put together," he said, referring to "Marjo" and other 'red' poinsettia almost orange by comparison.

No one, that is, other than Jim White; and he knew it all along.

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To cherished old friends and valued new friends, we would like to take this opportunity to wish our friends and patrons all the joy, the hope and the happiness of Christmas. May the meaning of the holiday be deeper, its friendships stronger, its hopes brighter, as it comes to you during the New Year.

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Editor's Mail

"No deal!"

Dear Editor:

What's happening to us in Whitchurch-Stouffville? Remember how the entire Town celebrated the Environment Ministry's announcement of the "Dump Close-Out Date, June 1983". We celebrated the determination of our business community, our Town government, and our Concerned Citizens---groups and individuals. As one, our Town had turned out the unwanted guest.

York Sanitation has since come bounding back, expecting to have our Town welcome them voluntarily!

The alarm should be sounding in each resident's mind, not that York Sanitation is trying a new ploy, but that our Mayor and Council are biting! Only recently, assurances were being given both publically and privately by our candidates for Council that they were resolute to have this dump closed as quickly as possible (The Ministry's date was June 1983).

Is there no accountability on the part of Whitchurch-Stouffville Council? Is there no honoring one's word? Contrary to commitments made, our representatives are now in the process of negotiating away our Town's hope for the future by entering into a "deal" with York Sanitation.

Turning their backs on the "Close The Dump NOW" principle they publicly endorsed, our Mayor and Council are negotiating to accept 750,000 tonnes more waste and three years of an uncapped dump threatening our Town's water supply.

The greatest benefit from the "deal" is financial to York Sanitation. The site monitoring program offered by York is one that should be required by the Environment Ministry in any case, "deal" or not. The costs are all costs to us; the residents---uncertainty, anxiety, lost business, lost property values and threatened health. Surely our Council does not feel it has a mandate from its citizens to compromise their future. Ask us, we the people of this Town, if we would agree to a "deal" allowing three more years of dumping and the answer would be heard all the way to Queen's Park. Our Council can best serve the people by using its authority and resources in pursuing the Ministry of the Environment's committment for dump closure, June 30, 1983, rather than making a second-class "deal" for its citizens.

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